I OPPOSE this ruling which will lift restrictions on media cross-ownership and allow greater concentration of media, threatening the free and independent press that is the lifeblood of democracy. The homogenization of media has virtually eliminated the phenomenon of the local radio station which strives to serve its local market. We are left with radio stations with syndicated DJ's from hundreds of miles away, who don't know much about the majority of the cities where they are broadcast, nor do they care to know about these other cities. That's a shame.